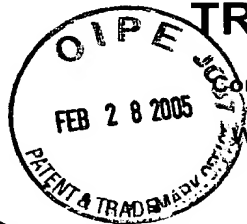


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# REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL



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Application Number	09/469,644
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

## 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

### a. ☒ Previously submitted

i. ☒ Consider the amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 previously filed on November 17, 2004.  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_

iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

### b. ☐ Enclosed

i. ☐ Amendment/Reply

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 2. Miscellaneous

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.117(i) required)

b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 02-0384

i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e)

ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (One Month) 37 C.F.R. 1.136 and 1.17

iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ \$395.00 enclosed

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